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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Examiner : Donald J. Loney
Art Unit : 1772
Applicants : Cheryl Crozier Compton et al
Serial No. : 09/975,291
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For : INSULATED GLASS AND METHOD OF MAKING SAME

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Responsive to the Official Action mailed April 2, 2003, the shortened period for response being until May 2, 2003, the following remarks are respectfully submitted.

REMARKS

The Examiner has requested election and restriction between Group I (namely claims 1-13) and Group II (namely claims 14-21). Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I (namely 1-13). The election is made **with** traverse.

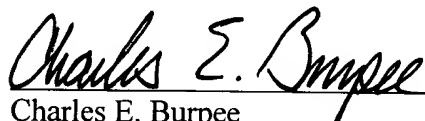
The Examiner asserts that "the product as claimed can be made by a different process such as one which molds both frames around the edges of the glass sheet in a one shot injection mold so no joining step is required". It is respectfully submitted that this assertion is incorrect. Specifically, if "both" frames were formed in a one shot injection, the result would be **one** frame – not **two** frames as required by the method claims. Further, the resulting single unitary frame would not require a joining step as required by the method claims. It therefore is respectfully submitted that the Restriction Requirement is unfounded and should be withdrawn.

In view of these remarks, it is respectfully submitted that an Action on the merits on all of the originally filed claims is in order; and such is earnestly and respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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